



## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA GOVERNOR PAT McCrORY

### *FACTSHEET*

### **A Sacred Duty: Providing for the public safety for all of our citizens**

*Corrections officers are confronting the most violent people in our state every minute of their day. Some live under death threats not only to them... but to their family. Working in this environment comes at a price. But we will support our corrections officers and all those engaged in public safety.*

#### **Intelligence-Based Initiatives to Prevent Crime... Before it Happens:**

- Public Safety Secretary Frank Perry and S.B.I. Director B.W. Collier are implementing new, intelligence-based initiatives to prevent crime rather than react to it.

#### **Building on our Accomplishments:**

- We launched the ReadyNC app - Helps residents and visitors prepare daily for everything from minor traffic emergencies to severe storms. The all-in-one emergency preparedness tool provides the latest weather, traffic, shelter and evacuation information and provides safety tips for typical North Carolina hazards.
- Veteran's courts support – We provided funding and support for the state's first veteran's court and aided in launch of 2nd court in Cumberland County.
- Safer Schools Critical Incident Response training – We created a new video and trained school districts statewide on how to respond to critical incidents in our schools.

#### **The Most Dangerous Job in North Carolina: Supporting Our Corrections Officers:**

- In North Carolina not only are we fighting drugs and gangs on our streets... we're also fighting gangs in our prisons.
- Corrections officers are confronting the most violent people in our state every minute of their day.
  - On average, a North Carolina corrections officer was assaulted every 11 hours during 2014.
  - Some were sexual assaults.
  - Nearly 300 involved weapons.
- Retention is a constant challenge.
- We will submit proposals not only to curb gangs and drugs in our streets and prisons, but also help North Carolina's corrections officers.

